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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit this Response After Final Rejection in
response to the Office Action, made final, dated March 21, 2001
(Paper No. 12).

REMARKS

Claims 1-63 are pending in the present application. In the
Office Action dated March 21, 2001, claims 1, 2, 6, 18, 20, 22,
24, 29, and 30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) for
obviousness in view of the D'Agostino U.S. Patent No. 4,012,303.